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| 1.  | Statement                     |        |     |     |
|   | Novelty (N)                   | Claims | 1-4 | YES |
|   |                               | Claims |     | NO  |
|   | Inventive step (IS)           | Claims | 1-4 | YES |
|   |                               | Claims |     | NO  |
|   | Industrial applicability (IA) | Claims | 1-4 | YES |
|   |                               | Claims |     | NO  |
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- 2. Citations and explanations (Rule 70.7)
  - 1 Reference is made to the following document:
    - D1: DE 44 39 451 A (POPP, FRITZ-ALBERT) 9 May 1996 (1996-05-09)
  - Document D1 is considered the prior art closest to the subject matter of claim 1 and discloses (page 2, lines 3-30): a method for examining external influences on biological tissue by measuring "ultraweak" photo emission and delayed luminescence, from which the subject matter of claim 1 differs in that the photon intensity is measured not only at the point of treatment of the object concerned (local), but at many other points on the tissue which were not directly subject to external influence (non-local).

The subject matter of claim 1 is thus novel (PCT Article 33(2)).

2.1 It has been surprisingly shown that many external influences also cause changes in photon emission on tissue parts that are not directly treated.

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The response on tissue parts that are not directly treated provides significant indication of the effect or effectiveness of the influence being investigated.

The subject matter of claim 1 therefore involves an inventive step (PCT Article 33(3)).

- 2.2 Claims 2-4 are dependent on claim 1 and therefore likewise meet the PCT requirements for novelty and inventive step.
- 3 Contrary to PCT Article 6, claim 1 is not supported by the description, since the scope of the claim goes beyond that justified by the description. The reasons are as follows: the description (page 1, lines 1 and 14) describes a method for examining external influences on biological tissue, whilst claim 1 refers to a method for examining external influences on biological systems.
- 3.1 In claim 2, the wording measuring chamber according to G9417845.3 is unclear. The description also does not indicate what is meant by "G9417845.3".